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Honorable David D. Freudenthal Governor of Wyoming State Capitol Cheyenne, WY 82002

Dear Governor Freudenthal:

Thank you for your letter dated April 7, 2003, that provided Wyoming's recommendation on air quality designations for the 8-hour national health-based standard for ground level ozone, a major constituent of smog. Your letter is an important step toward providing the citizens of Wyoming with critical information about air pollution levels in their community. With the passage of our July 15, 2003, submittal milestone, we have now entered into the analysis phase of these recommendations on a national basis. We intend to carefully review your recommendation and work with you and the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality in determining final designations.

We look forward to working with Wyoming throughout this designation process for the 8-hour ozone standard. If you have any questions, please contact me or Richard Long, Director of our Air and Radiation Program, at (303) 312-6005. Your staff may also wish to contact Tim Russ, Air and Radiation Program staff, at (303) 312-6479. For your convenience you may contact my staff toll-free at 1-800-227-8917.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Roberts

Regional Administrator

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